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CHICAGO.

Judge and Mrs. W. M. Robinson and daughter, Miss Attie, depart soon for Hot Springs for the benefit of the Judge's health.

The members of the Wednesday Club were entertained this week by Mrs. F. B. Antrobus. Progressive euchre was played and several prizes awarded.

Miss Celeste Price was hostess for the Saturday Club. There were no guests outside the members of the club and those in the habit of attending. The afternoon was spent in conversation and an occasional leted the pleasures of the day.

Among recent functions was a musical given by Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hobbs, complimentary to Miss Katherine Stoan of St. Louis and Mr. Paul Rader of Denver, Colo. An informal programme was arranged, among the participants being the hostess, her sister, Mrs. W. A. Dallmeyer; Mr. Rader and Misses Alma Gass and Edna Gordon. At the conclusion of the programme the guests were invited to the dining-room, where chaing luncheon and its accompaniments was served. The evening was completed by a "bean bag" contest, Mrs. T. O. Towles winning first honers, and Mr. Paul Rader second. The following were guests: Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Rader, Major and Mrs. T. O. Towles, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Delimeyer, Mrs. N. L. R. Taylor; Misses Alma Gass, Lou, Edna and Kate Gordon; Messix. Charles A. Winston and Victor Kalser.

The young people of the city enjoy many The young people of the city enjoy many pleasant evenings at Judge W. E. Marshall shome, the Misses Marshall entertaining frequently. On a recent occasion dancing and cards were features. There were present: Misses Marian and Carrie Davison, Clara Fletcher, Helen Pinkerton, Kitty Pitts, Nellie and Luiu See, Mae Hall, Nelle Boone, Ethel Edwards; Messrs, Albert Calson, Robert Grant, Donald Henry, Henry Gantt, Frank Nitchy, Paul Rader and Harry Hulett.

IN THE BLUFF CITY.

Miss Alice Marsh of Upper Alton was a visitor in St. Louis last week. Miss Elizabeth Gilliam of Pittsfield, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. E. F. Judd. Is the guest of Mrs. E. F. Judd.
Judge and Mrs. William Gibbert of Cairo
are guests of Mrs. George Wise of State
street.
Miss Ruth Mills visited Mrs. A. K. Van Mrs. William L. Sparks is entertaining
Miss Helen Topping of Chicago.
Mrs. A. E. Mills returned last week from Mrs. Mary J. Few of Springfield, Ill., ts ng relatives in Alton. s Sue Newell has returned from St. The Misses Stroud of Upper Alton are en-tertaining Miss Ottle Carsons of Galesburg. Misses Genevieve Webster and Dora Mes-senger were visitors in St. Louis last week. Misses Genevieve webster and both seemer were visitors in St. Louis last week.
Mrs. George B. Stelle and son of Jerseyville are visiting Mrs. George Kirknatrick.
Mrs. William Templeton departed Monday
for ber home in Marshalltown, Io., after
visiting friends in Alton.
Miss Sadie Platt entertained the Shakespeare Club Monday evening at her home Walter Locks returned Tuesday to her home at Toleda, O., after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kuhn. Mr. W. J. Saxe and Miss Jesste Roper have returned from an extended Eastern

Miss Annette Jorden of St. Louis was a guest of Miss Emma Kinnke last week.

Mrs. J. M. Byrie is entertaining Mrs. Winifred Wash of Chicago.

Miss Florence Jackson entertained Misses
Bertha Huitt and Lida Fox of East St.

Louis last week.

Mrs. Frank Barry of Milwaukee, Wis., is visiting relatives in Alten.

Miss Viola Erbeck is visiting in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hayden returned
Thursday from Tampa, Fla., where they ment the winter.

Mrs. F. W. Collins departed Wednesday Mrs. F. W. Collins departed Wednesday
for Fayetteville. Ark.
Mrs. T. G. Emerson entertained the ladies of the Upper Alton Baptist Ald Society
Wednesday afternoon at her home on
Evergreen avenue, Upper Alton.
Miss Sallie Barr returned Thursday to
Carlinville, after visiting in Alton for several weeks.
Miss Edith Betts entertained Saturday
afternoon in honor of her guest. Miss

afternoon in honor of her guest, Miss Pearcy Randall of Chicago. Miss Carolyn Wade guve a card party Wednesday evening at her home in Middle-

been visiting her sister, Mrs. W. S. Pops, departed Monday for St. Louis to visit friends.

Fine Diamonds—Mermod & Jaccard's, Mrs. T. G. Burkhart returned to-day from a month's visit with her father in Centralia, Mo.

Governor and Mrs. L. V. Stephens and Miss Edna Gordon will depart soon for Hot Springs for the benefit of Mrs. Stephens's health.

Judge and Mrs. W. M. Robinson and daughter, Miss Attie, depart soon for Hot Horizons for the benefit of the Judge's Brubaker and Peck.

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IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

Mrs. I. A. Victor and little daughter are guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Bodenheimer.

Mrs. E. T. Orear spent a few days this week in St. Louis.

Mrs. Hamilton Gamble of Kansas City, who has been recently appointed a United States Commissioner to the Paris Exposition, was formerly a resident of this city. Mrs. Gamble is a highly accomplished woman, speaking several languages, and thoroughly conversant with all topics of the firmer She is also an exceedingly handsome woman, and charming in manner. She has spent much time abroad, and is well acquainted with Paris and its environments.

Ass. LOUIS of the Surveyor of

Olivette Diverte.

An entertainment will be given Easter Sunday by the Sunday school class of dount Zion Church at Creve Coeur.

Last Monday afternoon Mr. Charles Beneett and Miss Florence Harrison were mar-

The wedding was a very pretty afknown in Mapewood,
The Kirkwood High School class of 1999
has completed its organization. Mr. James
Kelton was elected president and Miss
Maud Chamberlain was chosen secretary.
Mrs. F. J. Smith and ber daugster, Edith,
who departed recently upon a European
was been invited to dinner this season, be Mrs. P. J. Smith and ber daugnter, Edith, who departed recently upon a European trip, were heard from at Boulogne, France. The numerous Christian Scientists of Kirkwood have arranged to have a weekly meeting at the home of Mrs. W. J. Bown. Ambrose Mueller, the druggist, of Webster Groves, has been acting during the week on the Board of Examiners of the St. Louis College of Pharmacy.

H. B. Gill and Gano Bryan, both prominent young backelors of Kirkwood baye are the strength of the strength

H. B. Gill and Gano Bryan, both prom-thent young bachelors of Kirkwood have ar-rived at Buffalo, the projected terminus of their walking trip. They walked the entire distance from their homes to Buffalo. After making a short visit to East Aurora, the home of Elbert Hubbard and the Key-terofters they will return home by train. making a short visit to he home of Elbert Hubbard and the Keyhome of Elbert Hubbard and the Keycrofters, they will return home by train.

Ernest E. Beach of Kirkwood, and late
an employe in the office of the Wabash
Eailroad, is now settled in New York, He
is connected with a publishing house.

R. C. Forsythe will join his parents at
Monterey, Mexico, as soon as the present
session of the St. Louis Medical College
this father has been ill, and has been

session of the St. Louis Medical College ends. His father has been ill, and has been trying the waters of Topochico Springs, which are near Monterey. Doctor H. C. Evans of Kirkwood Pres-byterian Church lately tendered his resig-nation as paster of that congregation, but, since it was not accented be will continue nce it was not accepted, he will continue

in his duties.

Professor W. C. Dyer will read a paper before the Tuesday Evening Club of Webster at the April merting. His theme will be "Old and Modern Methods of Education."

nome in Webster Groves yesterday afterlinon.

Miss Louise McNair of the Wednesday
Club of St. Louis will talk before the Webster Monday Club April 9. Her subject
is 'The Short Story.''

Mrs. Fayette C. Ewing will serve as a
delegate at the Blennial Convention, to be
held in Milwaukee in June.

The Barreres, leng resident in Webster,
will move to the city soon. They expect to
settle on Minerva avenue.

The Fract family will also move to St.
Louis in the near future.

The E. O. C. Le's met las week at the The E. O. C. L.'s met las week at the one of Mrs. Kloss.
Four officers of the Salvation Army talked set Wednesday evening at the Webster last Wednesday evening at the Webster Congregational Church. They gave inter-esting accounts of their slum work and of

their other experiences. They extended invitation to visit their Rescue Home to go with the girls on their rounds. BRAZILIAN CONSPIRACY.

Details of the Plot to Establish a Monarchy.

Washington, March 31.—An official of the State Department just returned from Brazil has furnished some interesting details in regard to the recent attempt of a clique of Brazilian army officers to incite a revolution, and establish a monarchical Government the stables of the

The plan of action, the official says, was The plan of action, the official says, was to create a military riot in front of the President's palace, during which Campos Salles was to be assassinated, an officer of the revolutionary band declared ruler, and Brazil proclaimed a monarchy.

It seems, however, that owing to information furnished by an army officer, fully cognizant of the brewing conspiracy, the President was at all times aware of the plans and progress of the revolutionists.

Two very prominent Generals of the Brazilian Army were involved in the plot, but, except for their small following the army stood firm for the President, and the project came to naught but punishment for Mrs. August Schlafty and Miss Helen Schlafty of Carlyle, Ill., were guests last week of Mrs. J. F. McGinnis.

Mrs. A. K. Sherwood entertained the Upper Alton Woman's Club Tuesday afterpoon at her home on Seminary street.

Professor B. H. Nortman of Alton renewed a yiolin solo, and a literary pro-

SOCIAL TEMPEST RAGES IN WASHINGTON. ▷

Vice President Pro Tem. Frye Claims Precedence at Functions, and So Do Speaker Henderson and Secretary Hay-When Secretary Root Invites the Ambassadors to Meet an Actor There Is an Awful Time-Magnificent Blunder at a State Dinner Piles Strife on Strife.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, March 31.-Never before has the question of social precedence raised so much trouble in official society as this sea-

son. Everybody is at loggerheads. Senator Frye, President of the Senate and Vice President pro tem., and his wife, claim precedence over Speaker Henderson of the House of Representatives and his wife, who s stoutly maintain their superiority.

Secretary of State Hay and his wife have their own particular fight with Senater Frye. Of course, the late Vice President than the Secretary of State, but as the latter is designated to succeed to the presidency if both the President and the Vice President die it is a nice question whether er not be ranks higher than the Senator who assumes the duties of a deceased Vice President in the Senate.

There have also been some social disagreements among the wives of the members of the Cabinet, which is sometimes called the official family of the President. All the members of the Cabinet are designated to succeed to the presidency before Senator Frye, and on this ground they and their wives claim precedence over him. The Secretary of the Treasury, the Honorable Lyman J. Gage, and his wife, follow the Secretary of State in the order of precedent

The pavy and army supply their own troubles. The army takes precedence officially of the mayy, but there are many patriotle citizens who think that nobedy should be dlowed to take precedence of Admiral

The diplomatic corps has been terribly shocked by the cutrages upon courtly eti quette which it has witnessed. Secretary Root actually asked the Ambassadors "to meet Sir Henry Irving," Now, in Europe, honor of royalties. Moreover, Ambassadors, who are personal representatives of their sovereigns, can only be invited to meet the head of a state, and possibly the heir apparent. To ask an Ambassador to "meet" an actor was inexpressibly shocking.

The President Annoyed.

All these incidents are exceedingly annoyng to an administration which is proud to represent the plutocracy of the land. Sec-

Swingley.

Miss Lucy French of Hazel Hill will celebrate her eighteenth birthday with a reception to her friends.

Miss Carrie F. Doak of Black Jack has reMiss Carrie F. Doak of Black Jack has rewiew of the fact that the army and axy
Lie full mulform, together with turned to her home after visiting Misses
Tillie and Sophia Klocke of Spanish Lake.

Miss Sophia Bruler of St. Louis has been visiting during the last week at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Barrioz in onlying to do and nowhere to go for a few and the property of the second in gala attire, with nothing to do and nowhere to go for a whole, miserable hour. In consequence, the wife of the Secretary of State came in for some wishes on the part of her day's call-ra of a decidedly different kind from those supposed to be abroad for all mankind and womankind on the first day of the new

> has been invited to dinner this sea, has asked of the host or hostess if Senator Frye was to be one of the party. "Why? Do you wish to meet him or avoid

> asked one dinner-giver. "Neither; I am wholly indifferent," said the Speaker. "But I must ask, as I am entitled to the place of precedence at table I do not care in the least on my personal account, but the House insists so strengously upon this matter of official precedence that I have to see that it is observed wherever I go,"

Another Tempest. Then came the beginning of the ambassadorlal row. The torrents of social wrath and chagrin that have been let loose in Washington this season because of the refusal of the Ambassadors to attend certain dinner parties and swell receptions would fill a large volume.

It started off with what society at first sight designated a deliberate snub to the eretary of War and Mrs. Root. It seems that during the week of Sir Heary Irving's engagement in Washington, the Roots, as old personal friends of his, elected to give him a dinner party one evening after the performance. As a mark of especial honor, each of the ambassadors was asked to meet Sir Henry at dinner Great street. honor, each of the ambassadors was asked to meet Sir Henry at dinner. Great stress was laid upon the desirability of having Lord Pauncefote thus honor his distin-guished countryman. The Roots were nearly J. J. Grover of the St. Louis Label Works has been very ill at his home in Old Orchard. Last Thursday he was operated on for appendicitis. Yesterday he was better, but still in a critical condition.

Mrs. T. C. Young gave a reception at her home in Webster Groves yesterday afternoon.

White society telled to like it is guished countryman. The Roots were nearly paralyzed by receiving a courteous, but paralyzed by receiving a courteous, but from, not one, but all of the Ambassadors. The dinner party was given, nevertheless, and was a social success, as is every such actual manert planned and given by the Roots.

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meet any one of less rank than the head of a nation. He must, in all instances, be the suest of honor. People can be bidden to meet him, but he cannot be bidden to meet him, but he cannot be bidden to meet others than the head of a nation.

Still Another Tangle.

Hardly had this tangle been straightened out and the Ambassadors reinstated into social favor before there came another cyclone that shook social Washington to its center. This time it was the musicale given by Mr. and Mrs. John McLean in honor of the Admiral of the Navy and Mrs. Dewey. Forgetful of or ignoring the experience of the Roots, the McLeans issued invitations to the entire Diplomatic Corps for their suto the entire Diplomatic Corps for their perb musicale, for which the best ta

perb musicale, for which the best talent procurable in the country came down, especially from New York.

When the night of the musicale arrived and the correcousness of the resplendent costumes filled the McLean music-room, it was noticeable that there was not an Ambassador present and only two Ministers Plenipotentiary. The reason for the nonappearance of the Ambassadors was the same as in the case of the Roots' dinner party, and was in no sense the slightest discourtesy to the nation's naval hero and his charming wife. Had they simply been invited to the mu-

SOME EXCITING INCIDENTS.

The state dinners at the White House have been particularly full of exciting meidents. It was at the very first of these functions given in honor of the Cabinet that the President set the Cabinet by the ears by giving the place of honor at table and escorting in to dinner the wife of Senator Frye, the President of the Senate. The wrath of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Hay was something colos-

It was at that very dinner, by the way, that the man designated to take out the wife of the Secretary of War dropped his slip of paper containing the name of the lady he was to excert to dinner, and left Mrs. Root entirely alone in the East Room as the other guests filed out to dinner. It would have proved a most embarrassing situation had it not been for the thoughtfulness of Speaker Henderson, who, glancing back, and seeing Mrs. Root alone, immediately went up to her and held out his arm, saying that they were each unprovided for and that he would deem it an honor if she would accept his escort into the dining-room.

WOMAN AND WAR.

BY ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

We wemen teach our little sons how wrong And how ignoble blows are; school and church Support our precepts, and inoculate The growing minds with thoughts of love and peace "Let dogs delight to bark and bite," we say: But human beings with immortal souls Must rice above the methods of the brute And walk with reason and with self-control.

And then-dear God! You men, you wise, strong men Our self-announced superiors in brain, Our peers in judgment, you go forth to war! You leap at one another, mutilate And starve and kill your fellow-men, and ask The world's applause for such heroic deeds, You boast and strut; and if no song is sung. No faudatory epic writ in blood, Telling how many widows you have made, Why then, perforce, you say our bards are dead And inspiration sleeps, to wake no more. And we, the women, we whose lives you are-What we can do but sit in silent homes And wait and suffer? Not for us the blare Of trumpets and the bugle's call to arms-For us no waving banners, no supreme, Triumphant hour of conquest. Ours the slow Dread torture of uncertainty, each day The bootless battle with the same despair.

And when at best your victories reach our ears, There reaches with them to our pitying hearts The thought of countless homes made desolate And other women weeping for their dead.

O men, wise men, superior beings, say, Is there no substitute for war in this Great age and era? If you answer, "No"; Then let us rear our children to be wolves And teach them from the cradle how to kill. Why should we women waste our time and words In talking peace, when men declare for war?

invitation to the musicale, tempting as was the programme for the evening.

The ambassadorial tangle next wove itself about the White House galeties. It culminated in the memorable state dimer to the Diplomatic Corps, when, by some blunder on the part of those having the scatting of the guests in charge, the Mexican Ambassador and the wife of the Austro-Hungarian Minister were chumily placed side by side at table. Such a thing had never before occurred in all the long list of state dimers. It had never occurred at any court of Europe. It is not likely to occur again in this country. Next day the cullprits received a warm lecture from the President, after the diplomats had laid the matter before the State Department.

All the world knows that Mexico and Austria have not been on speaking terms since An the word knows that Acades and Austria have not been on speaking terms since the execution of the Emperor Maximilian All the official world knows, or should know that what made this departure from the usual order of things, unspeakably aggravating was that Senor Aspiroz, the Mexican Ambassador, was the prosecuting ad

vocate before the court-martial which pr

unced the death sentence upon the fortunate Austrian Prince The Army and Navy. pers that the ladies of the Cabinet would not receive until an hour later in the day than had heretofore been the custom from time whereof there is no written history. Instead of following the White House morning reception by Cabinet at-homes, from 2.39 to 4.30 or 5 o'clock, the opening hour for these receptions was delayed until 3.39.

This plan was especially objected to, in the army was placed three places ahead of the navy, and so the matter stands until Congress shall see lit, at some future time, to alter this line of succession.

The President has been most careful to accord public honors at the White House in turn to the heads of the army and navy ever since the question first began to be mosted in the press. On New Year's morning the strength of the press.

ing, as usual, the army, headed by General Miles, was received in advance of the navy, ing, as usual, the army, headed by General Miles, was received in advance of the navy headed by Admiral Dewey. On this occasion, in order to allow Mrs. Dewey to leave the White House in time to be present at the breakfast to her receiving party at her own house, the President notified Secretary Long to bring Mrs. Dewey down the line of the reactiving tearty and give her a special the receiving party and give her a special reception in advance of the reception of the Justices of the Supreme Court, who would otherwise have followed the diplomats.

Then, after the state reception on the evening of January 9, when Miss Miles was married the President invited General and parried, the President invited General and Mrs. Miles to attend the supper that fol-lowed to the receiving party upstairs, and, himself leading the way to the table, had the glasses filled and offered the toast, "To the bride."

Mrs. Leiter's Diplomacy.

The funniest ambassadorial incident which has naturally been revived by this which has naturally been revived by this season's happenings, was at the magnificent dinner given by the Leiters in the dying days of the last administration. It was just a few evenings before the 4th of March that witnessed the McKinley inauguration that the Leiters gave a dinner in honor of Chauncey Depew. On the invitation sent to the British Ambassador the words "To most the Hoggadie Chauncey Depew." to the British Ambassador the Words to meet the Honorable Chauncey Depew," were carefully omitted, as Mrs. Leiter was well aware that in such an event she could only receive a refusal from Lord Paunce-fote. Things went all right until the very day of the dinner, when, by some mis-chance, Lord Pauncefote learned that the while the New York Senator has been called a prince of table talkers, that does not place him in the ranks of American or European sovereigns de facto. Therefore Lord Pauncefote wrote Mrs. Leiter with the called a prince of table talkers, that does not place him in the ranks of American or European sovereigns de facto. Therefore Lord Pauncefote wrote Mrs. Leiter with the province and statement of the called the cal Lord Pauncefote wrote Mrs. Leiter withdrawing his previous acceptance and stating his country would not allow his occupying at a dinner table any but the first place
of honor. Mrs. Leiter wrote back that
this requirement was known to her and
would be adhered to, and upon that affirmation Lord Pauncefote attended the dinner.
When Mr. Depew arrived, he found in
the hallway awaiting him in lieu of the
ordinary slip designating the name of the
lady he was to escort to dinner, a voluminous note from the hostess. In this she
stated her dilemma and explained that
under the circumstances she would not be
able to allow her real guest of honor to able to allow her real guest of honor able to allow her real guest of hehor to escort her to the dining-room, but that, in lieu of this, she had assigned him to one who would entertain him better than she could. The Honorable Chauncey's face wreathed in smiles, as, in fancy, he saw himself leading to the table one of the beautiful daughters of the house. His state of mind can be better imagined than adequately described when, on digner being angustey described when, on digner being anquately described when, on dinner being an-nounced, he found himself assigned to none other than the husband of the hostess. NEW CONSUL AT COLOGNE.

Charles Barnes of Illinois Succeeds His Father.

Washington, March 31 .- The President ha decided to appoint Charles Barnes, at present Vice and Deputy Consul at Cologne, Germany, Consul at that place, to succeed to the vacancy caused by the recent death of his father, Consul John A. Barnes. The new appointee is from Illinois.

A Good Letter From a Bright Girl. A Good Letter From a Bright Girl.

Miss Victoria A. Berus, Lyons, N. Y.,
writes: "I am stenographer of the Democratic Press office, and in my official position have frequently read proofs of the advertisements of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I have never been troubled with a cold
until this winter, and like many other
foolish people, went to the doctor instead
of to the drug store. As you may have
seen by the papers, we have had a very
hard snowstorm in going to the office the
other morning I caught cold, and as a result had a terrible cough. This time instead of going to the dector I went to the
drug store and purchased a bottle of Cham-Had they simply been invited to the musicale they undoubtedly would have been
in full attendance, but the invitations being
worded "To meet the Admiral and Mrs.
Dewey." official etiquette debarred them
from attendance. The reason for the absence of the Ministers, however, was that
Mrs. John McLean does not care to make
sence of the diplomats having wives therefore decided as no calls had beeen made
upon their wives they could not accept the

THE SOUTHWEST.

Great Interest Taken in the Transmississippi Commercial

MEETS AT HOUSTON APRIL 17.

Extensive Programme Has Been Prepared and Delegates Will Be Appointed From Nearly All States.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Houston, Tex., March 31.-The Trans mississippi Commercial Congress is to hold its next session in this city from April 17 to 21, inclusive. Every indication points to a very large attendance, both of delegates from all over the United States, as well as of nonofficial visitors, who will take advantage of this opportunity to visit Texas.

The citizens of Houston are making ar rangements for the entertainment of the delegates and the visitors. One of the principal features at this session will be the nearness of the Gulf, in the ports of which every farmer, merchant and citizen of the West is interested The Programme.

So far as known the programme will embrace papers by the following well-known citizens of the West and East: Honorable John R. G. Pitkin of New Orans, on the "South and the Seas." Professor S. Waterhouse of Washington University, St. Louis, will speak upon "Trade With the Orient" and "Good Roads."

Professor Courtney De Kalb this home is in New York City), School of Mines, Kingston, Ontario, will speak upon the "Nicaragua Canal." Mr. F. B. Thurber, president of the United States Export Association of New York City, will prepare a paper, "Wider

Markets and How to Secure Them." Lyman E. Cooley, Chicago, Ill., "Rivers and Harbors." Honorable David R. Francis, St. Louis, Mo., "The Louisiana Purchase." Honorable Gurdon W. Wattles, Ompha,

Neb. (was president of the Transmississippi and International Exposition), "The Louisiana Purchase." Honorable George H. Maxwell, chairman

Executive Committee National Irrigation Association, "The Greater West, Irrigation, Population and Prosperity." Honorable John W. Springer, Denver, Colo., president National Live Stock Association of America, "The Live stock Interests of the Nation."

Honorable John B. Webber, Buffalo, N. Y., Commissioner General Pan-American Exposition, "The Pan-American Exposi-Honorable Wm. W. Bates, Denver, Colo., "Policy and Measures for Shipping Restora-Honorable Ewing Herbert, Hlawatha,

Kas., "Advantages of American Travel."

Honorable Elwood Mead, Cheyenne, Wy., 'Irrigation.' Honorable O. R. Fegan, Guthrie, Ok. The Nicaragua Canal.' Honorable J. M. Love, Kansas City, "The Nicaragua Canal." George B. Harrison, Jr., Glasgow, Mo., Consular Service.' Honorable F. H. Newell, Interior Department, Washington, "Water Courses and Irrigation Development." E. B. Perkins, Dallas, Tex., "State-

Honorable E. O. Stanard, St. Louis, Mo. "Railroad Transportation."

Ex-Governor French (haven't his initials). Santa Fe, N. M., "Trade With Mexico." Henorable L. Bradford Prince, Santa Fe N. M., "A Department of Mines and Min-

J. H. Silvera, Rolla, Mo., "Transportation Routes to the Gulf." The following persons are expected to speak, but no subjects have been decided upon: General John B. Gordon (will speak, as He lectures here during the week, but not upon any particular subject).

Honorable T. M. Patterson, proprietor Rocky Mountain News, Denver, Colo.

Honorable Joseph D. Sayers, Governor of Texas. Honorable W. E. Stanley, Governor

Kansas. Honorable C. M. Barnes, Governor of Oklahoma. Honorable James M. Troutman, Topeka,

Woman's Dread

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The terror of many women's lives is men-

Such women wear themselves out with suffering and seem to think there is no relief from the monthly pains.

Miss Emily F. Hass, of 148 Freeman Street, Greenpoint, Brooklyn, N. V., writes:

" DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-I wish to state that I used your < Vegetable Compound with the greatest success. I was very sick for nearly a year with hysteria, was downhearted and nervous; also suffered with painful menstrustion and pain in back and limbs. I often wished for death, thinking nothing would cure me. I had doctors, but their medicines did me no good. At last, by the advice of a friend, I began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound with very little hope of its doing me any good, but I am happy to say I am entirey cured. Thanking you for the good your medicine has done me, I am sending you my testimonial, hoping it will help others."

Special advice for every suffering woman can be secured free of cost by writing to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., for it

Mrs. C. D. Smith, 221 Eleventh St., Racine,

Wis., writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-I gladly give you my testimonial in favor of your remedies. When I first commenced your treatment I had been suffering from female troubles and weakness for some time. Menses were irregular, coming too often, and were very painful. I could not walk a great distance, had those terrible bearing-down feeling in the lower part of bowels, backache, and pain in left ovary. I used five bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and my menses have become regular, and am cured of that bearing-down feeling after walking. I consider your Compound one of the best medicines there is for those complaints peculiar to women. I thank you for the good advice you gave me. I will

gladly recommend your

medicine, and hope

suffers as I did will

give it a trial."

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To sacrifice beauty, disposition and health to a false idea is folly. Generations of ignorance have handed down belief in the necessity of monthly suffering. A healthy woman should experience but little pain and only a moderate amount of inconvenience.

Mrs. Van Cleft Advises Women.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-For several years my health was miserable. I suffered the most dreadful pains, and was almost on the verge of insanity. I consulted one of the best physicians in New York, and he pronounced my disease a fibroid tumor, advising an operation without delay, saying that it was my only chance for life. Other doctors prescribed strong and violent medicine, and one said I was incurable, another told me my only salvation was galvanic batteries, which I tried, but nothing relieved me. One day a friend called and begged me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I began its use and took several bottles. From the very first bottle there was a wonderful change for the better. The tumor has disappeared entirely and my old spirits have returned. I heartily recommend your medicine to all suffering women."-Mrs. Van Cleft, 416 Saunders Ave., Jersey City Heights,

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—A Woman's Remedy for Woman's Ills.

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made to choose those who will attend.

The work of the congress in each State and Territory is in the hands of a local and Territory is in the hands of a local committee of three, a vice president and two members of the Executive Committee. In each of the States and Territories this committee, in connection with the Governor, is now at work to secure such delegates as will be sure to attend. Among the States and Territories not named above, Louisiana, Iowa, Indian Territory, Minnesota, Utah, California, Idaho and Arizona insure representative delegates, and the com-Honorable C. M. Barnes, Governor of Ok-ahoma.

Honorable James M. Troutman, Topeka, Kas.

Honorable William M. Fishback of Fort

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Reverend J. M. Lucey, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Delegates to Be Named.

The Governors of Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Wyoming, Nebraska, New Mexico, Nevada and Texas have sent in the full quota of delegates, and in each instance a special effort is being made to choose those who will attend.

Nashville Republicans.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Nashville, Ill., March 31.-The Republican County Central Committee met in this city to-day. The date set for the county primaries is Saturday, April 28. The Co Convention will be held here Monday, April 20. On the same day delegates to the State, Senatorial and Congressional conventions will be chosen.

MR. SPRAGUE SAYS